SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY SENATE
RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF MORTEZA (MONTE) MEHRABADI, DEAN OF THE
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (2014-2018), PASSED MARCH 13, 2018

April 3, 2018

1. WHEREAS: Monte Mehrabadi had served San Diego State University with distinction as
   Professor and Chair of the Department of Mechanical Engineering (2007-2014) and as Dean of
   the College of Engineering (2014-2018); and

2. WHEREAS: Monte Mehrabadi received his B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering from the
   University of Tehran and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Mechanical Engineering from Tulane
   University, where he was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor in 1985 and Professor in
   1992 and where he served as Department Chair from October 1998 until June 2007; and

3. WHEREAS: Monte Mehrabadi was a scholar with broad international recognition, including
   serving as Visiting Faculty at the Laboratoire de Mecanique des Solides, Ecole Polytechnique,
   Palaiseau, France; at Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan; and at the Naval Research Laboratory in
   Washington, D.C.; and

4. WHEREAS: Monte Mehrabadi’s publications in the areas of materials behavior have received
   thousands of citations, while he developed basic theorems in anisotropic elasticity, expanded
   understanding of micromechanical aspects of deformation and failure of materials, and made
   remarkable contributions to the modeling of the liquid phase sintering, to tissue mechanics, to the
   development of conservation laws and constitutive equations of density-gradient-dependent
   fluids, as well as to kinematics of continua; and

5. WHEREAS: Monte Mehrabadi's research has been supported by many federal agencies, national
   laboratories, and private industry; and

6. WHEREAS: Monte Mehrabadi was a member of the Editorial Boards of Mechanics of Materials
   and the International Journal of Plasticity, a Fellow of the American Society of Mechanical
   Engineers, a member of Tau Beta Pi, Pi Tau Sigma, and American Society of Engineering
   Education (ASEE), as well as a recipient of multiple teaching awards, including the Society of
   Tulane Engineers and Lee H. Johnson Award for Teaching Excellence; and

7. WHEREAS: During the four years of Monte Mehrabadi’s leadership, the San Diego State
   University’s College of Engineering experienced a dramatic - almost 50% - growth in the number
   of enrolled students and in the College faculty members’ research productivity; and

8. WHEREAS: Monte Mehrabadi’s contributions to the creation of the new Engineering and
   Interdisciplinary Sciences Complex were essential for the success of that landmark project; and

9. WHEREAS: Monte Mehrabadi’s kind nature, focused determination, and leadership will be
   sorely missed and remembered by his students, colleagues, and friends; be it therefore

10. RESOLVED: That the San Diego State University Senate honor the memory of Dean Monteza
    Mehrabadi for his distinguished record of service to San Diego State University; and be it further

11. RESOLVED: That the San Diego State University Senate extend its heartfelt condolences to
    Dean Monte Mehrabadi’s family upon his passing.